
Meeting Agenda

Fruit and Vegetable Industry Advisory Committee

Date: January 23-24, 2007

Location: Holiday Inn Central, 1501 Rhode Island Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20005

Conference Room: Mayors 1 & 2

January 23, 2007

- 8:00 a.m. Welcome, Administrative Matters, Approval of June 2006 Meeting Minutes
- 8:15 a.m. Comments from Observers
- 8:45 a.m. **Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Initiatives**
Kate Houston, Deputy Administrator, Special Nutrition Programs, USDA
Food and Nutrition Service
- 9:45 a.m. Break
- 10:00 a.m. **Working Group Discussion**
Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act (PACA) Budget and Fees
Chair: Scott Danner
- 11:00 a.m. **Specialty Crop Block Grant Program Update**
Trista Etzig, Marketing Specialist, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, USDA Agricultural
Marketing Service
- 11:15 a.m. **Introduction to Food Safety Discussion**
Robert Keeney, Advisory Committee's Executive Secretary
- 11:45 a.m. Lunch
- 1:15 p.m. **Food Safety**
Moderator: Robert Keeney
- California Initiative on Leafy Greens**
Matt McInerney, Committee Member
- AMS Existing Initiatives**
Kathy Staley, Senior Advisor for Quality Management, Fresh Products
Branch; and Randle Macon, Assistant Chief, Processed Products Branch,
Fruit and Vegetable Programs, USDA Agricultural Marketing Service
- AMS - Discussion Draft on Marketing Agreement for Leafy Greens**
Robert Keeney and Anne Dec, Assistant Chief, Marketing Order Administration
Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, USDA Agricultural Marketing Service
- 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:15 p.m. The Honorable Mike Johanns, Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture
- 3:45 p.m. AMS Food Safety Initiatives (Continued)
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn for the Day
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January 24, 2007

- 8:00 a.m. Continuation of Previous Day's Discussion on AMS Food Safety Initiatives
(If necessary)
- 9:15 a.m. Break
- 9:30 a.m. **Labor and Immigration Update**
Sharon Hughes, Executive Vice President, National Council of Agricultural
Employers
- 10:30 a.m. **Working Group Presentations/Discussions**
- Global Competitiveness Working Group**
Chair: Chuck Ciruli
- Farm Bill Working Group**
Chair: Tim York
- 11:15 a.m. Finalization of Committee Recommendations; Proposed Date of Next Meeting;
Proposed Agenda Items for Next Meeting; Administrative Matters
- 12:00 noon Adjourn
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